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Demographic data for Mexican American women and men, displayed in 30 tables accompanied by summaries, indicate changes in the allocation of time between the ages of 18 and 29 over 17 year period from 1960 to 1976. Trends for Mexican American women indicate person years spent single changed from 3.4 in 1960 to 3.6 in 1976, with a sharp increase in years spent single for the college-educated: between 1970 and 1976 the number of person years spent childless decreased from 4.0 to 3.5 for high school dropouts, from 6.0 to 5.5 for high school graduates, and from 7.9 to 7.75 for college-educated: in 1976 91% of the single years were childless: from 1960 to 1976 there was an increase from 16 to 21% of married years spent childless: an increase from 3.8 to 5.8 person years employed from 1960 to 1976: person years of school enrollment increased from 1.1 in 1960 to 1.8 in 1976: among the college educated there was a rise from 3.5 to 5.7 person years spent in school during this period. For Mexican American men there was little change in the aggregate number of years spent single: the number of married, childless years increased from 1.8 to 2.0 years: years employed declined slightly from 9.4 to 9.2, with a slight increase in years employed by high school dropouts, a decrease of nearly 1 year employed by high school graduates, and a decrease of about one-half year by men attending college: the number of person years spent enrolled in school increased from 1.7 to about 2.0 between 1960 and 1970 and to about 2.7 person years between 1970 and 1976: among college-educated, there was an increase from 5.6 person years enrolled in 1970 to 6.5 by 1976. (NEC)

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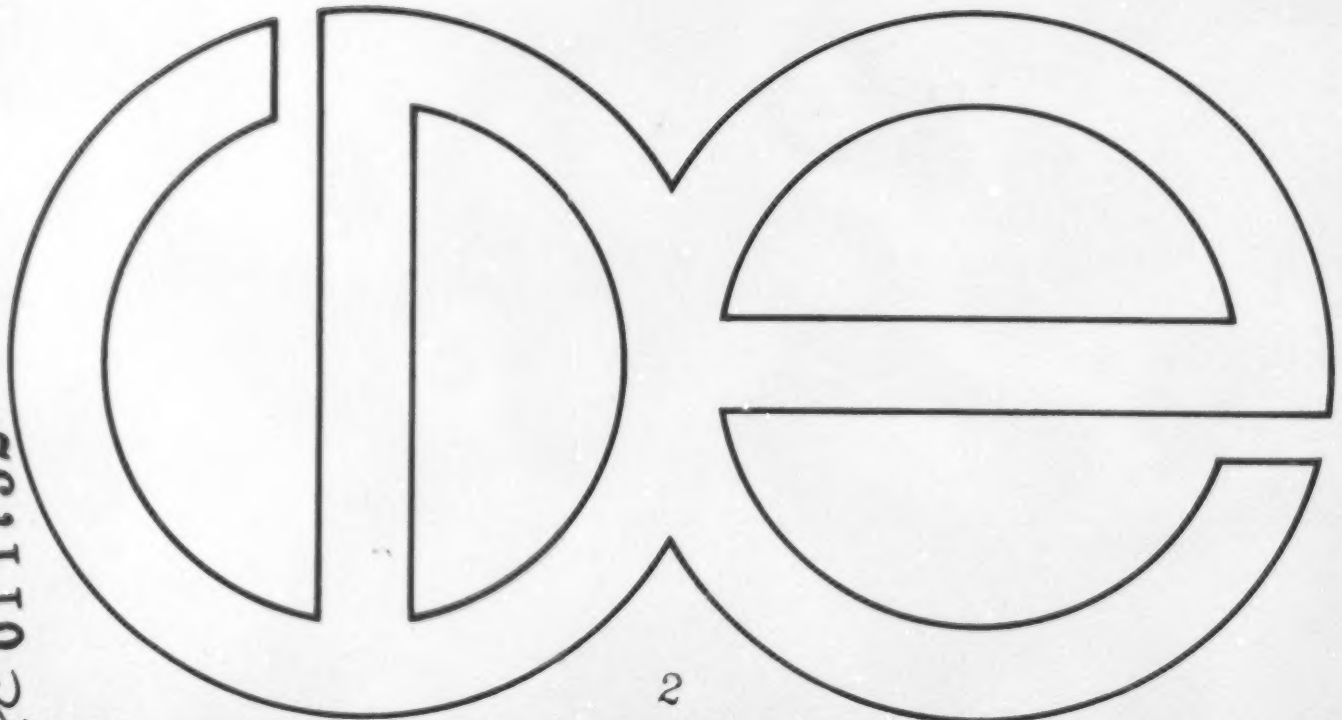
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CHANGES IN THE ALLOCATION OF TIME OF YOUNG
MEXICAN-AMERICAN MEN AND WOMEN:
1960-1976

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This is the eighth of a series of papers deriving from a research project conducted by James A. Sweet and Wendy C. Wolf on "Recent Changes in the Activities and Status of Young Adults." This research is supported by a grant from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (Grant #HD11366-01). It has also benefitted from a Population Center's grant from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (Grant #HD05876) to the Center for Demography and Ecology.

This paper reports on recent changes in the allocation of the time from age 18 to age 29 among various combinations of statuses by Mexican-American women and men. It replicates for Mexican Americans, a series of measures reported earlier for white and black men and women (Sweet, 1979a, b, c). We will not discuss the measures or the rationale for this analysis, since these are presented in some detail in Sweet, 1979a.

The Mexican-American population is best identified in the 1960 Census as the Spanish-Surname population in five southwestern states. This definition is used also in the 1970 Census. In addition, in 1970 the population of Mexican origin or descent is also identified, on the basis of a response to a question, "Is this person's origin or descent...Mexican?"

In the 1976 Survey of Income and Education, only this latter definition is available. In the tables in this paper, data for the Mexican-American population are shown using both definitions, in order to provide a "splice" between the two series. In general, there is little difference between the measures for the two definitions of Mexican American.

In comparison to whites and blacks, the Mexican-American population is quite small. Hence, the number of sample cases available is relatively small. Table 1 shows the number of sample cases in each of the three enumerations (the 1976 numbers are unweighted Ns). The smallest cell (college-educated females in 1976) includes 220 cases.

During the period since 1960 the educational level of the Mexican-American population has changed considerably. In Table 2 we show the distribution for men and women in each of the three years. Between 1960 and 1976 the proportion of men with no high school education decreased from two-thirds to two-fifths. For women, the change was also large, but not nearly as large as for men.

In Table 3, we show the allocation of the 12 years between age 18 and age 29 among sixteen combinations of statuses. Each column in the table adds to 12 years. Data in all subsequent tables for women derive from Table 3.

Mexican-American Women

1) Years spent single. In 1960 Mexican-American women spent about 3.4 person years in a never-married state (Table 4). This increased to about 3.8 years in 1970 and declined slightly to about 3.6 years by 1976. Between 1960 and 1970 there was a slight decrease in the number of years spent single for high school graduates or women who did not complete high school. There was a slight increase in years spent single for college-educated women. Between 1970 and 1976 there was a sharp decrease in person years spent single for both high school dropouts and high school graduates and a sharp increase in years spent single for college-educated Mexican-American women.

2) Years spent childless. Paralleling the pattern of years spent single, the number of years spent childless increased between 1960 and 1970 and decreased somewhat between 1970 and 1976 (Table 5).

There was relatively little change for any of the education groups between 1960 and 1970. Between 1970 and 1976, however, the number of person years spent childless decreased for each of the education groups—from 4.0 to 3.5 years for high school dropouts, from 6.0 to 5.5 years for high school graduates, and from 7.9 to 7.75 years for college-educated women.

3) Proportion of Single Years Spent Childless. In 1960, Mexican-American women spent 98 percent of their single years childless. This decreased to 95 percent in 1970 and to 91 percent in 1976 (Table 6). The decrease that occurred, occurred in large proportion among high school dropouts. In 1960 they spent 98 percent of their single years childless, by 1976 they spent only 82 percent of their single years childless. There was also a decrease between 1970 and 1976 among college-educated Mexican-American women from 98 percent childless to 92 percent childless. This estimate is based on a relatively small sample size (720 cases) and may be due to sampling variation.

4) Married Years Spent Childless. Overall there was an increase from 16 to 21 percent of married years spent childless (Table 7). There was no change in the proportion of married years spent childless among high school dropouts, a fairly large increase from 16 to 26 percent for high school graduates, and another large increase from 26 to 35 percent for college-educated Mexican-American women. Evidently, there has been an increase in the spacing of first births.

5) Employment. Overall there has been an increase from 3.8 to 5.3 person years employed by Mexican-American women over the period from 1960 to 1976 (Table 8). There was a one-year increase between 1960 and 1970 and one-half year further increase between 1970 and 1976. The number of years spent employed by high school dropouts increased by about 0.9 year. The number of years spent employed by high school graduates increased by about 1.1 years and the number spent employed by college-educated Mexican-American women changed very little going from 6.5 in 1960 to 6.7 in 1976.

In Table 9 we allocate the number of person years spent employed by four marital/family statuses. Single years spent employed changed very little over the period in the aggregate. For each education group the number of single years spent employed actually decreased by a considerable amount but at the same time the education distribution was putting more women in the high school graduate and the college-educated categories. The number of person years spent married, childless and working increased for each education group. The increase was only very slight for the high school dropouts. The number of person years spent married with children and working increased in the aggregate by nearly one year. It increased considerably for every education category with a smaller increase for the college-educated group than for the other groups. As we shall see, the college-educated women were spending considerably more time enrolled in school in 1976 than in preceding periods.

In 1960, 58 percent of all single time was spent working (Table 10). By 1976 this had reduced slightly to 55 percent. There was a considerable reduction among the high school dropouts from 50 to 44 percent, a slight reduction among high school graduates from 67 to 64 percent and a sizeable reduction among the college-educated women from 75 to 56 percent of single person years.

Mexican-American women spent a larger share of their childless married years working in 1976 than they did in earlier years. In 1960, 42 percent of married, childless years were spent working (Table 11). This increased to 54 percent in 1976. There was a slight increase for high school dropouts, a larger increase for high school graduates and an even larger increase for college-educated women. This latter increase occurred entirely between 1960 and 1970. There was actually a decrease for college-educated women between 1970 and 1976. Again, we will note later that college-educated Mexican-American women were spending about two more years enrolled in 1976 than in 1970.

There was a marked increase in the proportion of married years with children spent working. In the aggregate this increase was from 18 to 36 percent (Table 12). An increase of similar magnitude occurred for each education group; among high school dropouts there was a rise from 15 to 28 percent, for high school graduates from 24 to 44 percent, and for college-educated women from 24 to 48 percent.

6) School Enrollment. Mexican-American women spent an average of 1.1 person years enrolled in school in 1960 (Table 13). This increased to 1.2 person years in 1970 to 1.8 person years in 1976. Among college-educated there was a rise from 3.5 to 3.7 to 5.7 person years spent enrolled in school during this period.

In the next three tables we examine the proportion of single person years, married person years, married person years with children, and married person years without children spent enrolled in school. In 1960, Mexican-American women spent about a quarter of their total single years enrolled in school (Table 14). This increased to over 36 percent in 1976. All of this rise occurred after 1970. Similarly, among college-educated Mexican Americans about half single person years were spent enrolled in 1960 and 1970 and about three-fifths in 1976.

Overall, in 1976 about 11 percent of married, childless years were spent enrolled in school (Table 15). This was an increase from about 3 percent in 1960. If we consider only women who attended college, we find that nearly a third of the married, childless person years were spent enrolled in school in 1960. This decreased to less than 20 percent in 1970 and increased to about 30 percent in 1976. Mexican-American women spent about 5 percent of their married years with children enrolled in school in 1976 (Table 16). This was an increase from 2 or 3 percent of previous years. Among college-educated women there was a sharp jump between 1970 and 1976 from 5 to 16 percent of married years with children spent enrolled in school.

7) Working While Enrolled. A larger share of enrolled years were spent working in 1976 than in 1970 and a larger share in 1970 than in 1960 (Table 17). However, among college-educated Mexican women there was relatively little change—56 percent of enrolled person years were spent working in 1960, 45 to 50 percent in 1970

and about 48 percent in 1976. That is to say while there was a 2-year increase in number of years enrolled, there was a 1-year increase in number of years enrolled and working.

Trends: Mexican-American Men

In Table 18 we present the allocation of the twelve person years from age 18 to age 29 into twelve combinations of statuses. This table is analogous to Table 3 for women, except that we combine single years with and without children since virtually no single men have any own children. All numbers in subsequent tables (19-30) are derived directly from numbers in Table 18.

1) Years Spent Single. There was very little change in the aggregate number of years spent single by Mexican-American men between 1960 and 1976 (Table 19). From 1960 to 1970 there was a decrease in single years from 5.4 to 5.1 and from 1970 to 1976 there was an increase to 5.5 years. Men who did not complete high school spent fewer years single in 1976 than in 1970 and fewer in 1970 than in 1960. For high school graduates there was also a decrease between 1960 and 1970, but an increase between 1970 and 1976. For college-educated men, more years were spent single in 1976 than in 1960 or 1970.

2) Years Spent Childless. The number of married, childless years increased somewhat between 1960 and 1970 for both high school graduates and college-educated men (Table 19). There was no change

for men who did not complete high school. In the aggregate this produced only a small increase from 1.8 to 2.0 years married and childless. There was essentially no change for any education level between 1970 and 1976.

The combination of trends in years spent single and years spent married and childless resulted in a modest increase in total years spent childless. (Virtually all single years are childless years.) for the total population. High school dropouts experienced a decrease; high school graduates, a modest increase; and college-educated men a fairly large increase.

3) Years Employed. Mexican-American men were employed 9.4 person years in 1960. This declined slightly to 9.4 or 9.3 person years in 1970 (depending on definition of "Mexican-American") and to 9.2 person years in 1976 (Table 20). There was a slight increase over the period in person years employed by high school dropouts, a decrease of nearly one year employed by high school graduates, and a decrease of about one-half year employed by Mexican-American men who attended college. The employment rate or the proportion of person years spent employed while single changed in the aggregate very little for Mexican-American men (Table 21). There was a slight increase in this proportion for high school dropouts, a decrease from 70 to 62 percent for high school graduates and a decrease from 68 to 63 percent for single men who had attended some college.

The proportion of married, childless years spent working by Mexican-American men in the aggregate decreased from 80 to 77 percent (Table 22). This proportion increased for high school dropouts from 78 to 86 percent, decreased greatly for high school graduates from 90 to 60 percent and changed slightly from 86 to 81 percent for college-educated men.

The proportion of married years with children spent employed remained at about 91 percent for Mexican-American men over the period (Table 23). There was perhaps a slight decrease for high school dropouts, little change for high school graduates, and perhaps a small decrease for college-educated Mexican-American men.

4) School Enrollment. In the aggregate, the number of person years spent enrolled increased for Mexican-Americans from 1.7 to about 2.0 person years between 1960 and 1970 and to about 2.7 person years between 1970 and 1976 (Table 24). Among college-educated Mexican-American men there was a decrease in number of person years enrolled from 6.1 to 5.6 between 1960 and 1970 but an increase to about 6.5 by 1976.

The rate at which single Mexican-American men were enrolled in school increased from 23 to 37 percent over the period (Table 25). Among college-educated Mexican-Americans this increase was from about 62 to 69 percent. About one-seventh of all married, childless person years were spent enrolled in school and among college-educated Mexican

Americans about one-third of the married, childless years were spent enrolled (Table 26). About one-twelfth of the total years married with children were spent enrolled and nearly one-third of the married years with children of college-educated Mexican-American men were spent enrolled in school (Table 27). Both of these increased some from earlier periods.

Mexican-American men who were enrolled in college were less likely in 1976 to be also employed than they were in 1970 and somewhat less likely in 1970 than in 1960 (Table 28).

3) "Idleness": years spent neither working nor enrolled. Next we look at the proportion of single person years spent neither working nor enrolled in school. In 1960, 23 percent of all single person years of Mexican-American men were spent neither enrolled nor employed (Table 29). This decreased to about 16 percent in 1976. There was a decrease from 30 to 25 percent for men who did not complete high school but a large increase from 15 to 24 percent for high school graduates. Only about 2 percent of the person years of college-educated Mexican Americans were spent neither enrolled nor employed in 1976. This compares with about 7 percent in 1960 and 1970.

The proportion of married time spent neither working nor enrolled is much lower than that of single time and this proportion in the aggregate changed very little from 10 to 11 percent between 1960 and 1970 (Table 30). Among high school dropouts there was very little change in this proportion (12 to 13 percent), however, for high school graduates the proportion of person years spent neither employed

nor enrolled increased from 5 percent in 1960 to about 8 percent in 1970 to about 15 percent in 1976. In 1976 only about 2 percent of the married person years were spent neither employed nor enrolled among men who attended college. This was a slight decrease from 1970 but very little different from the initial 1960 figure.

Table 1: Number of Sample Cases, Mexican-American Men and Women Aged 18-29 by Education: 1960, 1970, 1976

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1970</u>		<u>1976</u>
		Sp. Sur.	Mex. Am.	
<u>Men</u>				
<12 years	2061	1864	2019	388
12 years	588	1240	1215	359
>12 years	426	892	790	308
Total	3075	3996	4024	1055
<u>Women</u>				
<12 years	2013	2134	2239	459
12 years	800	1532	1459	382
>12 years	237	686	590	220
Total	3050	4352	4289	1061

Table 2: Education Distribution of Mexican-American Men and Women Aged 18-29: 1960, 1970, 1976

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1970</u>		<u>1976</u>
		<u>Sp. Sur.</u>	<u>Mex. Am.</u>	
<u>Men</u>				
<12 years	67.0	46.6	50.2	40.1
12 years	19.1	31.0	30.2	29.0
>12 years	13.9	22.3	19.6	30.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<u>Women</u>				
<12 years	66.0	49.0	52.2	45.4
12 years	26.2	35.2	34.0	34.0
>12 years	7.8	15.8	13.8	20.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 3: Person Years Spent in Various Statuses by Women between Ages 18-29, for Synthetic Cohort of Mexican-American Women by Education: 1960, 1970, 1976

	<12 years				1976	12 years				1976	>12 years				1976	Total				1976
	1960	1970*		1976		1960	1970*		1976		1960	1970*		1976		1960	1970*		1976	
	SS	MO	SS			MO	SS	MO			SS	MO	SS			MO				
<u>Never-married, childless</u>																				
Employed, enrolled	.14	.05	.06	.08	.29	.25	.27	.39	1.62	1.36	1.36	1.87	.30	.35	.35	.61				
Employed, not enrolled	1.28	1.13	1.24	1.01	2.52	2.13	2.32	1.64	2.36	2.10	2.16	1.34	1.68	1.67	1.74	1.29				
Not employed, enrolled	.34	.29	.25	.09	.78	.60	.67	.57	1.0	1.43	1.50	1.74	.55	.61	.61	.66				
Not employed, not enrolled	1.02	1.07	1.15	.92	.62	.83	.91	.60	.31	.41	.40	.83	.85	.88	.96	.73				
<u>Never-married, with children</u>																				
Employed, enrolled	.00	.02	.02	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.16	.00	.01	.01	.04				
Employed, not enrolled	.02	.10	.09	.04	.03	.09	.07	.03	.00	.03	.07	.13	.03	.08	.08	.05				
Not employed, enrolled	.01	.02	.02	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.04	.03	.00	.00	.01	.02	.00				
Not employed, not enrolled	.04	.12	.09	.43	.01	.07	.07	.10	.00	.04	.00	.20	.03	.09	.07	.24				
<u>Ever-married, childless</u>																				
Employed, enrolled	.01	.01	.00	.00	.01	.01	.02	.04	.27	.24	.26	.29	.03	.04	.05	.09				
Employed, not enrolled	.46	.41	.43	.55	.60	1.03	1.07	1.25	.63	1.21	1.43	1.07	.53	.76	.76	.87				
Not employed, enrolled	.03	.04	.04	.08	.00	.04	.04	.03	.29	.11	.22	.31	.04	.05	.06	.10				
Not employed, not enrolled	.79	.80	.83	.74	.66	.69	.72	.95	.53	.50	.60	.29	.74	.70	.75	.72				
<u>Ever-married, with children</u>																				
Employed, enrolled	.02	.03	.02	.01	.03	.02	.01	.01	.07	.21	.11	.44	.02	.06	.03	.11				
Employed, not enrolled	1.15	1.88	1.73	2.28	1.55	2.27	2.16	2.78	1.51	1.64	1.32	1.36	1.25	1.94	1.80	2.26				
Not employed, enrolled	.20	.06	.05	.03	.11	.04	.08	.03	.25	.29	.29	.89	.18	.09	.09	.20				
Not employed, not enrolled	6.48	5.99	5.95	5.74	4.78	3.91	3.57	3.58	3.19	2.37	2.22	1.08	5.76	4.66	4.62	4.03				
TOTAL	12.00	12.0	12.0	12.00	12.00	12.0	12.0	12.00	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.00	12.00	12.0	12.0	12.00				

*SS - Spanish surname, MO - Mexican origin.

Table 4: Person Years Single: Mexican-American Women

Education	1960	1970		1976
		SS	MO	
<12 years	2.85	2.80	2.92	2.58
12 years	4.25	3.97	4.31	3.25
>12 years	5.29	5.41	5.52	6.28
TOTAL	3.44	3.70	3.84	3.62

Table 5: Person Years Childless: Mexican-American Women

Education	1960	1970		1976
		SS	MO	
<12 years	4.07	3.80	4.00	3.48
12 years	5.48	5.58	6.02	5.48
>12 years	7.01	7.36	7.93	7.76
TOTAL	4.72	5.06	5.28	5.07

Table 6: Percent of Single Years Spent Childless: Mexican-American Women

	Person years single	Person years single, childless	Percent childless
<u>Total</u>			
1960	3.44	3.38	98.3
1970			
Spanish surname	3.70	3.51	94.9
Mexican origin	3.84	3.66	95.3
1976	3.62	3.29	90.9
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	2.85	2.78	97.5
1970			
Spanish surname	2.80	2.54	90.7
Mexican origin	2.92	2.70	92.4
1976	2.58	2.11	81.8
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	4.25	4.21	99.0
1970			
Spanish surname	3.97	3.81	96.0
Mexican origin	4.31	4.17	96.8
1976	3.25	3.21	98.8
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	5.29	5.29	100.0
1970			
Spanish surname	5.41	5.30	98.0
Mexican origin	5.52	5.42	98.2
1976	6.28	5.79	92.2

Table 7: Percent of Married Years Spent Childless: Mexican-American Women

	Married	Married, childless	Percent childless
<u>Total</u>			
1960	8.55	1.34	15.7
1970			
Spanish surname	8.30	1.55	18.7
Mexican origin	8.16	1.62	19.8
1976	8.33	1.78	21.4
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	9.14	1.29	14.1
1970			
Spanish surname	9.22	1.26	13.7
Mexican origin	9.05	1.30	14.4
1976	9.42	1.37	14.5
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	7.74	1.27	16.4
1970			
Spanish surname	8.01	1.77	22.1
Mexican origin	7.67	1.85	24.1
1976	8.67	2.27	26.2
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	6.74	1.72	25.5
1970			
Spanish surname	6.57	2.06	31.3
Mexican origin	6.45	2.51	38.9
1976	5.74	1.99	34.7

Table 8: Person Years Employed: Mexican-American Women

Education	1960	1970		1976
		SS	MO	
<12 years	3.08	3.63	3.59	3.97
12 years	5.03	5.80	5.92	6.15
>12 years	6.46	6.79	6.71	6.66
TOTAL	3.84	4.91	4.82	5.32

Table 9: Distribution of Working Years by Marital Status and Presence of Children: Mexican-American Women

	Total years employed	Single, childless, employed	Single, with children, employed	Married, childless, employed	Married, with children, employed
<u>Total</u>					
1960	4.04	1.98	.03	.56	1.47
1970					
Spanish sur.	4.91	2.02	.09	.80	2.00
Mex. origin	4.82	2.09	.09	.81	1.83
1976	5.32	1.90	.09	.96	2.37
<u><12 years</u>					
1960	3.08	1.42	.02	.47	1.17
1970					
Spanish sur.	3.63	1.18	.12	.42	1.91
Mex. origin	3.59	1.30	.11	.43	1.75
1976	3.97	1.09	.04	.55	2.29
<u>12 years</u>					
1960	5.03	2.81	.03	.61	1.58
1970					
Spanish sur.	5.80	2.38	.09	1.04	2.29
Mex. origin	6.02	2.59	.07	1.09	2.27
1976	6.15	2.04	.03	1.29	2.79
<u>>12 years</u>					
1960	6.46	3.98	.00	.90	1.58
1970					
Spanish sur.	6.79	3.46	.03	1.45	1.85
Mex. origin	6.71	3.52	.07	1.69	1.43
1976	6.67	3.21	.29	1.37	1.80

Table 10: Percent of Single Years Spent Employed: Mexican-American Women

Education	Single	Single, employed	Percent employed
<u>Total</u>			
1960	3.44	2.01	58.4
1970			
Spanish surname	3.70	2.11	57.0
Mexican origin	3.84	2.18	56.8
1976	3.62	1.99	55.0
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	2.85	1.44	50.5
1970			
Spanish surname	2.80	1.30	46.4
Mexican origin	2.92	1.41	48.3
1976	2.58	1.13	43.8
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	4.25	2.84	66.8
1970			
Spanish surname	3.97	2.47	62.2
Mexican origin	4.31	2.66	61.7
1976	3.25	2.07	63.7
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	5.29	3.98	75.2
1970			
Spanish surname	5.41	3.49	64.5
Mexican origin	5.52	3.59	65.0
1976	6.28	3.50	55.7

Table 11: Percent of Married, Childless Time Spent Employed: Mexican-American Women

	Married, childless	Married, childless, employed	Percent employed
<u>Total</u>			
1960	1.34	.36	41.8
1970			
Spanish surname	1.55	.80	51.6
Mexican origin	1.62	.81	50.0
1976	1.78	.96	53.9
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	1.29	.47	36.4
1970			
Spanish surname	1.26	.42	33.3
Mexican origin	1.30	.43	33.1
1976	1.37	.55	40.1
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	1.27	.61	48.0
1970			
Spanish surname	1.77	1.04	58.8
Mexican origin	1.85	1.09	58.9
1976	2.27	1.29	56.8
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	1.72	.90	52.3
1970			
Spanish surname	2.06	1.45	70.4
Mexican origin	2.51	1.69	67.3
1976	1.99	1.37	68.8

Table 12: Percent of Married, Children Years Spent Employed: Mexican-American Women

	Married, with children	Married, with children, employed	Percent employed
<u>Total</u>			
1960	7.21	1.27	17.6
1970			
Spanish surname	6.75	2.00	29.6
Mexican origin	6.54	1.83	28.0
1976	6.55	2.37	36.2
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	7.85	1.17	14.9
1970			
Spanish surname	7.96	1.91	24.0
Mexican origin	7.75	1.75	22.6
1976	8.05	2.29	28.4
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	6.47	1.58	24.4
1970			
Spanish surname	6.24	2.29	36.7
Mexican origin	5.82	2.17	37.3
1976	6.40	2.79	43.6
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	6.47	1.58	24.4
1970			
Spanish surname	4.51	1.85	41.0
Mexican origin	3.94	1.43	36.3
1976	3.77	1.80	47.7

Table 13: Person Years Enrolled: Mexican-American Women

Education	1960	1970		1976
		SS	MO	
<12 years	.75	.52	.46	.29
12 years	1.22	.96	1.09	1.07
>12 years	3.50	3.68	3.77	5.70
TOTAL	1.12	1.22	1.22	1.81

Table 14: Percent of Single Time Spent Enrolled: Mexican-American Women

Education	Single	Single, enrolled	Percent enrolled
<u>Total</u>			
1960	3.44	.85	24.7
1970			
Spanish surname	3.70	.98	26.5
Mexican origin	3.84	.99	25.8
1976	3.62	1.31	36.2
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	5.29	2.62	49.5
1970			
Spanish surname	5.41	2.83	52.3
Mexican origin	5.52	2.89	52.4
1976	6.28	3.77	60.0

Table 15: Percent Married, Childless Time Spent Enrolled: Mexican-American Women

	Married, childless	Married childless, enrolled	Percent enrolled
<u>Total</u>			
1960	1.34	.07	3.2
1970			
Spanish surname	1.55	.09	5.8
Mexican origin	1.62	.11	6.8
1976	1.78	.19	10.7
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	1.72	.56	32.6
1970			
Spanish surname	2.06	.35	17.0
Mexican origin	2.51	.48	19.1
1976	1.99	.60	30.2

Table 16: Percent of Married Years with Children Spent Enrolled: Mexican-American Women

	Married, with children	Married, with children enrolled	Percent enrolled
<u>Total</u>			
1960	7.21	.20	2.8
1970			
Spanish surname	6.75	.15	2.2
Mexican origin	6.54	.12	1.8
1976	6.55	.31	4.7
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	7.85	.32	4.1
1970			
Spanish surname	7.96	.50	6.3
Mexican origin	7.75	.40	5.2
1976	8.05	1.33	16.5

Table 17: Percent of Enrolled Years Spent Employed: Mexican-American Women

	Enrolled	Enrolled, employed	Percent employed
<u>Total</u>			
1960	1.12	.35	31.2
1970			
Spanish surname	1.22	.46	37.7
Mexican origin	1.22	.44	36.1
1976	1.81	.85	47.0
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	3.50	1.96	56.0
1970			
Spanish surname	3.68	1.81	49.2
Mexican origin	3.77	1.73	45.9
1976	5.70	2.76	48.4

Table 18: Person Years Spent in Various Statuses by Men between ages 18-29, for Synthetic Cohort of Mexican-American Men by Education: 1960, 1970, 1976

	<12 years				12 years				>12 years				Total			
	1960	1970*		1976	1960	1970*		1976	1960	1970*		1976	1960	1970*		1976
		SS	MO			SS	MO			SS	MO			SS	MO	
Never-married																
Employed, enrolled	.25	.19	.17	.21	.61	.49	.41	.55	2.41	1.89	1.91	2.41	.62	.68	.61	1.03
Employed, not enrolled	3.00	2.47	2.70	2.66	3.39	3.10	3.22	2.87	2.01	1.76	1.89	2.02	2.93	2.49	2.68	2.59
Not employed, enrolled	.33	.47	.44	.34	.87	.71	.73	.79	1.56	1.89	2.10	2.46	.64	.90	.88	1.03
Not employed, not enrolled	1.54	1.35	1.33	1.08	.88	.92	.84	1.31	.47	.52	.39	.14	1.26	1.03	.99	.86
Ever-married, childless																
Employed, enrolled	.03	.03	.02	.00	.08	.03	.02	.09	.56	.55	.53	.43	.11	.14	.12	.18
Employed, not enrolled	1.47	1.45	1.46	1.71	1.20	1.74	1.89	1.13	.98	1.15	1.32	1.35	1.36	1.46	1.54	1.44
Not employed, enrolled	.01	.03	.02	.00	.03	.03	.02	.00	.18	.24	.23	.35	.04	.07	.06	.12
Not employed, not enrolled	.41	.47	.47	.28	.12	.32	.25	.80	.08	.16	.09	.07	.32	.35	.33	.36
Ever-married, with children																
Employed, enrolled	.15	.05	.05	.06	.19	.09	.09	.20	.71	.83	.72	.68	.24	.24	.20	.30
Employed, not enrolled	4.35	4.93	4.81	4.93	4.45	4.32	4.26	4.11	2.83	2.66	2.48	1.87	4.12	4.22	4.17	3.67
Not employed, enrolled	.02	.01	.02	.00	.02	.02	.04	.00	.20	.21	.20	.20	.04	.05	.06	.07
Not employed, not enrolled	.42	.56	.57	.72	.16	.24	.24	.15	.00	.14	.12	.02	.32	.37	.35	.35
TOTAL	12.00	12.0	12.0	12.00	12.00	12.0	12.0	12.00	12.00	12.0	12.0	12.00	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.00

*SS - Spanish surname, MO - Mexican origin.

Table 19: Person Years Single or Married and Childless: Mexican-American Men

	Single	Married, childless	Single or married and childless
<u>Total</u>			
1960			
1970	3.45	1.83	7.28
Spanish surname			
Mexican origin	5.10	2.02	7.12
1976	5.16	2.03	7.21
	5.51	2.10	7.61
<u><12 years</u>			
1960			
1970	3.12	1.92	7.04
Spanish surname			
Mexican origin	4.48	1.98	6.46
1976	4.64	1.97	6.61
	4.27	1.99	6.26
<u>12 years</u>			
1960			
1970	5.75	1.43	7.18
Spanish surname			
Mexican origin	5.22	2.12	7.34
1976	5.20	2.18	7.38
	5.53	2.01	7.54
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960			
1970	6.45	1.80	8.25
Spanish surname			
Mexican origin	6.06	2.10	8.16
1976	6.29	2.17	8.46
	7.03	2.19	9.22

Table 20: Person Years Employed: Mexican-American Men

Education	1960	1970		1976
		SS	MO	
<12 years	9.25	9.12	9.21	9.57
12 years	9.92	9.77	9.89	8.95
>12 years	9.50	8.84	8.85	8.76
TOTAL	9.38	9.23	9.29	9.21

Table 21: Percent of Single Years Employed: Mexican-American Men

	Single	Single, employed	Percent employed
<u>Total</u>			
1960	5.43	3.55	65.1
1970			
Spanish surname	5.10	3.17	62.1
Mexican origin	5.16	3.29	63.8
1976	5.31	3.62	65.7
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	5.12	3.25	63.5
1970			
Spanish surname	4.48	2.66	59.4
Mexican origin	4.64	2.87	61.8
1976	4.27	2.85	66.7
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	5.75	4.00	69.6
1970			
Spanish surname	5.22	3.59	68.8
Mexican origin	5.20	3.63	69.8
1976	5.53	3.43	62.0
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	6.45	4.42	68.5
1970			
Spanish surname	6.06	3.65	60.2
Mexican origin	6.29	3.80	60.4
1976	7.03	4.43	63.0

Table 22: Percent of Married Childless Years Spent Employed: Mexican-American Men

	Married, childless	Married, childless, employed	Percent employed
<u>Total</u>			
1960	1.83	1.47	80.3
1970			
Spanish surname	2.02	1.60	79.2
Mexican origin	2.05	1.66	81.0
1976	2.10	1.62	77.1
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	1.92	1.50	78.1
1970			
Spanish surname	1.98	1.48	74.7
Mexican origin	1.97	1.48	75.1
1976	1.99	1.71	85.9
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	1.43	1.28	89.5
1970			
Spanish surname	2.12	1.77	83.5
Mexican origin	2.18	1.91	87.6
1976	2.01	1.21	60.2
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	1.80	1.54	85.6
1970			
Spanish surname	2.10	1.70	81.0
Mexican origin	2.17	1.85	85.2
1976	2.19	1.78	81.3

Table 23: Percent of Married Years with Children Spent Employed:
Mexican-American Men

	Married, with children	Married, with children employed	Percent employed
<u>Total</u>			
1960	4.72	4.36	92.4
1970			
Spanish surname	4.88	4.46	91.4
Mexican origin	4.78	4.37	91.4
1976	4.38	3.97	90.6
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	4.94	4.50	91.1
1970			
Spanish surname	5.70	4.98	87.4
Mexican origin	5.39	4.86	90.2
1976	5.72	5.00	87.4
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	4.82	4.64	96.3
1970			
Spanish surname	4.67	4.41	94.4
Mexican origin	4.63	4.35	94.0
1976	4.45	4.30	96.6
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	3.74	3.54	94.6
1970			
Spanish surname	3.84	3.49	90.9
Mexican origin	3.52	3.20	90.9
1976	2.76	2.55	92.4

Table 24: Person Years Enrolled: Mexican-American Men

Education	1960	1970		1976
		SS	NO	
<12 years	.79	.78	.89	.61
12 years	1.80	1.37	1.31	1.63
>12 years	6.09	5.59	5.69	6.53
TOTAL	1.69	2.08	1.93	2.73

Table 25: Percent of Single Years Enrolled: Mexican-American Men

	Single	Single, enrolled	Percent enrolled
<u>Total</u>			
1960	5.45	1.26	23.1
1970			
Spanish surname	5.10	1.58	31.0
Mexican origin	5.16	1.49	28.9
1976	5.51	2.06	37.4
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	6.45	3.97	61.6
1970			
Spanish surname	6.06	3.76	62.0
Mexican origin	6.29	4.01	63.8
1976	7.03	4.87	69.3

Table 26: Percent of Married, Childless Years Enrolled: Mexican-American Men

	Married, childless	Married childless, enrolled	Percent enrolled
<u>Total</u>			
1960	1.83	.15	8.2
1970			
Spanish surname	2.02	.21	10.4
Mexican origin	2.05	.18	8.8
1976	2.10	.30	14.3
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	1.80	.74	41.1
1970			
Spanish surname	2.10	.79	37.6
Mexican origin	2.17	.76	35.0
1976	2.19	.78	35.6

Table 27: Percent of Married Years, with Children, Spent Enrolled: Mexican-American Men

	Married, with children	Married, with children, enrolled	Percent enrolled
<u>Total</u>			
1960	4.72	.28	5.9
1970			
Spanish surname	4.88	.29	5.9
Mexican origin	4.78	.26	5.4
1976	4.38	.37	8.4
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	3.74	.91	24.3
1970			
Spanish surname	3.84	1.03	26.8
Mexican origin	3.52	.92	26.1
1976	2.76	.88	31.9

Table 28: Percent of Enrolled Years Spent Working: Mexican-American Men

	Enrolled	Enrolled, employed	Percent employed
<u>Total</u>			
1960	1.69	.97	57.4
1970			
Spanish surname	2.08	1.06	51.0
Mexican origin	1.93	.93	48.2
1976	2.73	1.51	55.3
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	6.09	3.68	60.4
1970			
Spanish surname	5.59	3.27	58.5
Mexican origin	5.69	3.16	55.5
1976	6.53	3.52	53.9

Table 29: Percent of Single Years Spent Neither Employed Nor Enrolled: Mexican-American Men

	Single	Single, not employed, not enrolled	Percent not employed, not enrolled
<u>Total</u>			
1960	5.45	1.26	23.1
1970			
Spanish surname	5.10	1.03	20.2
Mexican origin	5.16	.99	19.2
1976	5.31	.86	15.6
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	5.12	1.34	30.1
1970			
Spanish surname	4.48	1.35	30.1
Mexican origin	4.64	1.33	28.7
1976	4.27	1.08	25.3
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	5.75	.88	15.3
1970			
Spanish surname	5.22	.92	17.6
Mexican origin	5.20	.84	16.1
1976	5.53	1.31	23.7
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	6.45	.47	7.3
1970			
Spanish surname	6.06	.52	8.6
Mexican origin	6.29	.39	6.2
1976	7.03	.14	2.0

Table 30: Percent of Married Time Spent Neither Employed Nor Enrolled: Mexican-American Men

	Married	Married, not employed, not enrolled	Percent not employed, not enrolled
<u>Total</u>			
1960	6.55	.64	9.8
1970			
Spanish surname	6.90	.72	10.4
Mexican origin	6.83	.68	10.0
1976	6.48	.71	11.0
<u><12 years</u>			
1960	6.86	.83	12.1
1970			
Spanish surname	7.53	1.03	13.7
Mexican origin	7.36	.98	13.3
1976	7.71	1.00	13.0
<u>12 years</u>			
1960	6.25	.28	4.5
1970			
Spanish surname	6.79	.56	8.2
Mexican origin	6.81	.49	7.2
1976	6.46	.95	14.7
<u>>12 years</u>			
1960	5.54	.08	1.4
1970			
Spanish surname	4.95	.30	5.0
Mexican origin	5.69	.21	3.7
1976	4.95	.09	1.8

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